GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2251
ANSWERED ON:12.03.2001
CLEARANCE TO ICHAMPALLI DAM PROJECT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ichampalli Dam Project of Andhra Pradesh is adjoining Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the areas of forest land required for this project, State-wise;

(c) the total forest area of Maharashtra likely to be submerged in this Dam project;

(d) whether the Government have given its clearance to this project;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (c), (d), (e) & (f) The Central Water Commission, Ministry of Water Resources has constituted a High level committee to resolve the interstate issues involved in planning of Ichampalli project. The Committee has to submit its report latest by 30th April, 2001. The requirement of forest land for the project would be known only when the committee finalises its report. No Forest / Environmental clearance has been given to the project.